UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA ASHEVILLE DIVISION

IN RE:)	Case No: 11-10053
BILTMORE INVESTMENTS, LTD,)	Chapter 11
)	
Debtors.)	

APPLICATION TO EMPLOY ATTORNEY

The debtor/debtor-in-possession applies to the Court and says as follows:

- 1. On January 26, 2011, the debtor herein filed a Chapter 11 petition with this Court and wishes to employ Edward C. Hay, Jr., an attorney duly admitted to practice in this Court.
- 2. The debtor/debtor-in-possession believes that said attorney is well qualified to represent it in this proceeding and will assist by: (a) giving legal advice with respect to its powers and duties in the continued operation of its business and management of its property; (b) preparing the necessary applications, answers, orders, reports and other legal papers; and ©) performing all other legal services which may be necessary herein and it is necessary for the debtor/debtor-in-possession to employ an attorney for such professional activities.
- 3. The named attorney has no connection with the debtor/debtor-in-possession, its creditors or any other party in interest or their respective attorneys.
- 4. The named attorney is a disinterested person to represent the debtor/debtor-in-possession and the estate. The named attorney has provided legal services to Asheville Downtown Holding, LTD, which shares common ownership with the debtor/debtor-in-possession, but does not consider that representation to constitute a conflict.
- 5. The named attorney represents no interest adverse to debtor/debtor-in-possession or the estate or the matters upon which he is to be engaged for debtor/debtor-in-possession and his employment would be in the best interest of this estate.

THEREFORE, the debtor/debtor-in-possession prays of the Court:

1. That an order be entered authorizing the appointment and employment of Edward C. Hay, Jr. As attorney for the debtor/debtor-in-possession.

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2. For such further relief deemed proper by the Court.

THIS day of January, 2011.

PITTS, HAY & HUGENSCHMIDT, P.A. Attorney for the Debtor/D.I.P.

By:

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AFFIDAVIT OF PROPOSED ATTORNEY

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF BUNCOMBE

- I, Edward C. Hay, Jr., make solemn oath that:
- 1. I am an attorney and counselor-at-law, duly admitted to practice in the State of North Carolina and before this Court.
- 2. I maintain an office for the practice of law at 137 Biltmore Avenue, Asheville, North Carolina 28801.
- 3. I have no connection with the above-named debtor/debtor-in-possession or the estate in the matters upon which I am to be engaged and am a disinterested person to represent the debtor/debtor-in-possession and the estate.